

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277
Hiromu IZUMIDA, et al. : Confirmation Number: 6932
Application No.: 10/577,765 : Group Art Unit: 1793
Filed: April 28, 2006 : Examiner: ZHU, Weiping
For: STAINLESS STEEL WIRE, SPRING, AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE SPRING

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

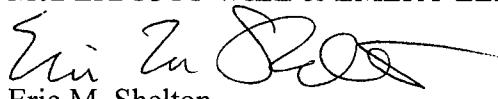
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Sir:

Noting the Office Action of May 29, 2008 wherein restriction has been required, Applicants hereby elect Group I (claims 1-7) for prosecution in the above-identified application. To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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